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In re Application of:

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For: **ELECTROPROCESSING IN DRUG
DELIVERY AND CELL
ENCAPSULATION**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Restriction Requirement mailed January 7, 2005, the Examiner required restriction of the above-identified patent application to one of the following groups of claims:

Group I, directed to Claims 1-9, drawn to a composition comprising an electroprocessed material and a substance;

Group II, directed to Claim 10, drawn to a composition comprising an electroprocessed material;

Group III, directed to Claims 11-17, drawn to a method of delivering a substance or electroprocessed material to a desired location; and

Group IV, directed to claims 18-23, drawn to a method of manufacturing a composition comprising an electroprocessed material and a substance or a method of manufacturing a composition comprising an electroprocessed material.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on June 7, 2005.

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In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-9 for prosecution.

In the Restriction Requirement mailed January 7, 2005, the Examiner also required election of a single disclosed species in each of a) - d) below for prosecution on the merits to which claims shall be restricted if no generic claims is finally held allowable. Currently, Claims 1, 11 and 18 are generic.

- a) each of the categories of materials listed in claims 2 and 19;
- b) each of the natural materials listed claim 4;
- c) each of the substances listed in claim 6, 14 and 20;
- d) each of the substances listed in claims 7, 15 and 21.

In response to the Election Requirement, Applicants elect "natural materials" as the category of materials listed in claim 2; "proteins" as the natural material listed in claim 4; "therapeutic substance" as the substance listed in claim 6 and "molecules" as the substance listed in claim 7.

Submitted herewith is a petition for a four-month extension of time and fee of \$795.00 to cover the four month extension of time now set to expire June 7, 2005. No additional fees are believed due; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account number 11-0855.

Respectfully submitted,



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